

2022-2023

Course
Selection
Information

8th to 9th
Grade



Class of 2026

MEET YOUR JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Student Last Name

Counselor

A-Dn

Mr. Greg Little

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Mrs. Tammy Veliz

Lb-Re

Mrs. Natalie Jones

Rf-Z

Mrs. Tanya Marshall

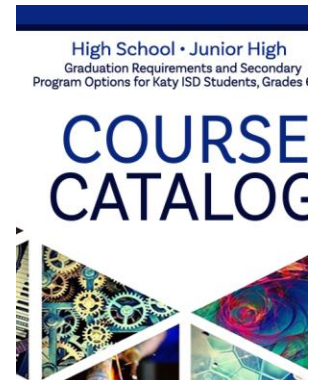
College & Career Facilitator:

Ms. Bree Henderson

Counselor splits are determined at the start of the year and vary based on student enrollment.

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE SELECTION

- Course Offerings for Current 8th graders a Course Request Planning Worksheet.
- The Course Catalog is available online via the SchooLinks tile on MyKaty Cloud.
- The presentations are available on the JHS , AJH, SLJH websites.



THE ENDORSEMENTS

Every student will choose an endorsement when they select their courses for next year. Endorsements should be selected based on student interest.

- STEM (Science – Technology – Engineering – Math)



- Business & Industry



- Public Services



- Arts & Humanities



- Multidisciplinary Studies



ENGLISH 1

0101 English 1

0141 English 1 KAP

0143 English 1 KAP/GT





MATH

0211 Algebra I

0223 Geometry

0251 Geometry KAP

0252 Geometry KAP/GT

0261 Algebra II

0253 Algebra II KAP

0254 Algebra II KAP/GT

SCIENCE

0411 Biology

0471 Biology KAP

0472 Biology KAP/GT





SOCIAL STUDIES

0341 World Geography

0353 World Geography KAP

0347 AP Human Geography

0348 AP Human Geography GT

*Students identified as GT in social studies who choose not to enroll in the GT course option will be exited from GT social studies.

SOCIAL STUDIES OPTIONS FOR INCOMING 9TH GRADE STUDENTS

- Academic World Geography
 - also offered in summer school through Katy Virtual School
- KAP World Geo
 - also offered in summer school through Katy Virtual School
- AP Human Geography and AP Human Geography GT
 - not available to incoming 9th graders in summer school

If Academic or KAP World Geo is taken in the summer, there will be no social studies course to take during the 9th grade school year. Elective choices are more limited for 9th graders due to prerequisites and grade level restrictions, so a study hall may be the only option for your student.

KISD GIFTED & TALENTED TYPICAL COURSE PATHWAYS

2022-2023 ACADEMIC SCHOOL YEAR

The courses listed below are for students who have been identified Gifted & Talented through the Katy ISD screening process.

GRADE	MATH			ELA	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES
8th	8th grade Math	Algebra I-GT	Algebra II KAP/GT			
9th	Algebra I	Geometry KAP/GT	Pre-Calculus KAP	English 1 KAP/GT	Biology KAP/GT	AP Human Geography- GT*
10th	Geometry KAP/GT	Algebra II KAP/GT	AP Statistics-GT	English 2 KAP/GT	Chemistry KAP/GT	AP World History-GT*
11th	Algebra II KAP/GT	Pre-Calculus KAP/GT or AP Statistics- GT	AP Calculus BC- GT	AP English Language & Comp-GT	AP Physics I-GT AP Biology-GT AP Chemistry-GT AP Environmental-GT	AP US History-GT
12th	Pre-Calculus KAP/GT or AP Statistics- GT	AP Calculus BC- GT or AP Statistics- GT	Multivariable Calculus KAP/GT	AP English Literature & Comp-GT	AP Physics II-GT AP Biology-GT AP Chemistry-GT AP Environmental-GT	AP Macroeconomics-GT AP Microeconomics-GT AP Government-GT

Not all courses are offered on every campus.

Students identified as GT who self-select out of a GT course option at any time will be exited from that content area.

*Students who take World Geography KAP or World History KAP at any time, summer included, will be exited from the Social Studies content area.



**LANGUAGES
OTHER
THAN
ENGLISH
(LOTE)**

6110 French 1

6810 Chinese 1

6210 German 1

6310 Spanish 1

6320 Spanish 2

Native speaker classes:

6361 SpSpSp 1

(1st sem. =1 credit)

6362 SpSpSp 2

(2nd sem. =1 credit)

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH (LOTE)

- LOTE credit may also be earned through Credit by Exam (CBE).
- See your 8th grade Counselor for an application and spring/summer testing days and times.
- If you are taking a CBE, please write this on your planning worksheet.

SUMMER 2022 LANGUAGE CBE (CREDIT BY EXAM)

***JUNIOR HIGH COUNSELOR APPROVAL NEEDED**

Course:

This is for Native Speakers to earn credit and advance levels.

Fine Art Courses

- ◇ Art
- ◇ Band
- ◇ Choir
- ◇ Color Guard
- ◇ Dance
- ◇ Orchestra
- ◇ Theater & Tech Theater

*Performance-based fine arts require a tryout/audition and director approval.

Who can we contact?

- Art: [Ms. Cerk](#)
- Band: [Mr. Galloway](#)
- Choir: [Ms. Grantham](#)
- Color Guard: [Ms. Owen](#)
- Dance: [Ms. Way](#)
- Orchestra: [Mr. Davis](#)
- Theater: [Mr. Midkiff](#)



Warriors Athletics

[Click here for athletic information](#)

- ◇ Football
- ◇ Basketball
- ◇ Track
- ◇ Baseball
- ◇ Wrestling
- ◇ Soccer
- ◇ Cross Country
- ◇ Golf
- ◇ Swimming
- ◇ Tennis
- ◇ Volleyball
- ◇ Softball
- ◇ Diving
- ◇ Cheer
- ◇ Student Athletic Trainer

Multi-sport athletes can only select one sport for course selection. They must choose the sport that comes first in the school year.

P.E. & P.E. Substitutions

- ◇ High School students are required to take one year of a physical activity/education credit anytime during high school. This includes:
 - ◇ Physical Education: Lifetime Recreation, Skill Based, & Lifetime Fitness
 - ◇ Athletics: any sport offered at Jordan High School
- ◇ Physical Activity/Education Substitutes include:
 - ◇ Fall semester of Marching Band
 - ◇ 1st year of any Dance course: Dance I, Team, or Training
 - ◇ Fall semester of Color Guard
 - ◇ 1st year of Cheerleading
 - ◇ JROTC I (only at MCHS)
 - ◇ Off-Campus PE – requires application & campus approval

Health & Speech Requirements

Students are required to take a minimum of a semester of Health & a semester of Speech/Communication credit. Students can take more credits if desired and can complete these courses at anytime during high school.

◇ Health courses offered at Jordan:

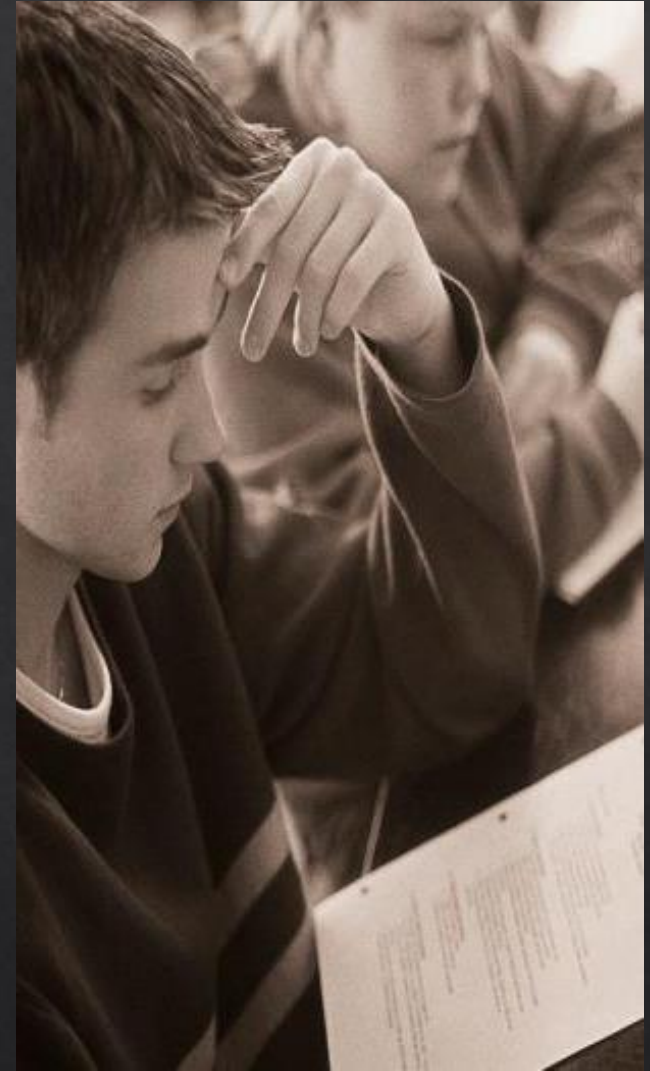
- ◇ Health Education (grades: 9-12) one semester course
- ◇ Principles of Health Science (grades 10-12) full year course but satisfies health course requirement. Intended for students pursuing the Health Science Pathway.

◇ Speech/Communication courses offered at Jordan:

- ◇ Leadworthy (grades 9-12) one semester course
- ◇ Debate I (grades 9-12) full year course
- ◇ AP Seminar (grades 10-12) full year course
- ◇ Dual Credit Speech (HCC) grades 10-12

STUDY HALL

- NO credit
- Course number 0020
- Students should have earned HS credit in JH if selecting study hall as a course.



ALTERNATE ELECTIVES

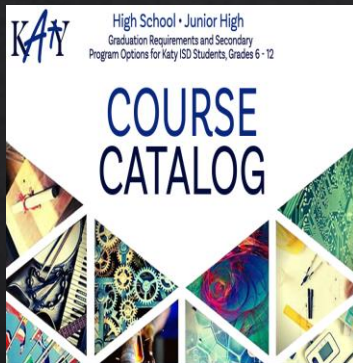
- Choose 3 alternate courses in case a course selected is unavailable. Counselors do their best to ensure students get into their first choice for electives, but course selection requests cannot be guaranteed due to class size limitations.
- Choose wisely as staffing is determined by the course selections.
- Students will be held responsible for their course selections.



COURSE SELECTION

- Students will receive a **JHS Course Request Planning Worksheet** and a **Course Offerings for Current 8th Grade Sheet**.
- Students will complete a 4-year plan in SchoolLinks. 8th grade counselors will meet with students individually and approve the 4-year plan.
- Students will complete the **JHS Course Request Planning Worksheet** with their 9th grade courses ONLY.
- The Course Request Worksheet must be completed and returned by the campus due date.
- The Course Catalog is available online via SchoolLinks.
- It is recommended that course selections are completed in pencil, so changes can be made neatly.

COURSE VERIFICATION



- Students will verify their course selections and endorsement in late March (3/21-3/27) through SchoolLinks. A Google Form with instructions will be emailed out to parents and students.
- Review all requests and the endorsement for accuracy.
- Make any changes through the Google Form.
- List alternate choices **in the order of preference.**
- Course request verification does not guarantee that a student will get their first-choice electives or courses.

Course availability is determined by students' course selections.

COURSE VERIFICATIONS & SCHEDULE CHANGES

- Course availability is determined by students' course selections.
- Course verification is the time to make changes to the course requests.
- Following the course verification window, schedule changes for the 2022-2023 school year will be allowed **only** in the following cases:
 1. Error in scheduling by the school (data entry error);
 2. Student has not met course prerequisites;
 3. Student has already earned credit for the course;
 4. Change in program (athletics, fine arts, etc.);
 5. Level changes as recommended by the teacher and counselor, with parent and principal approval;
 6. Student did not meet standard on STAAR/EOC exam.



Please make selections carefully.

NO elective changes will be honored after the course verification Google Form has closed. Schedule changes will not be honored throughout the school year, so choose your courses carefully.

COURSE SELECTION

Course Offerings for Current 8th Grade Sheet

JHS Course Request Planning Worksheet Worksheet

KATY
Course Offerings for Current 8th Grade
Jordan High School 2022-23

NUMBER	COURSE NAME	DESCRIPTION	PREREQUISITES
PHYSICAL EDUCATION SUBSTITUTIONS			
1000	Physical Education	Physical Education	
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1003	Physical Education	Physical Education	
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1100	Physical Education	Physical Education	

2022-23 JHS COURSE REQUEST PLANNING WORKSHEET

RETURN TO ELA TEACHER BY FEBRUARY 7, 2022

STUDENT NAME: _____ ID: _____ 2022-23 GRADE: 9

SELECT YOUR ENDORSEMENT BELOW

Business & Industry (BUS)	Public Services (PUB)	STEM
Arts & Humanities (ART)	Multi-Disciplinary (MD)	

Endorsement information can be found in Schoolinks.

COURSE #	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
	COURSE #	COURSE NAME	COURSE #	COURSE NAME
Ex:	0141	ENGLISH I RAP	0141	ENGLISH I RAP
Ex:	1520	LEADERSHIP (exam)	0505	HEALTH (exam)
1-English				
2-Math				
3-Science				
4-Social Studies				
5-Selective				
6-Selective				
7-Selective				

ALTERNATE ELECTIVES IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE

Course #	Course Name
1	
2	
3	

SUMMER 2022 COURSE - ORIGINAL CREDIT COURSES CAN BE FOUND ON THE KATY ISD VIRTUAL SCHOOL WEBSITE (KVS) * JUNIOR HIGH COUNSELOR APPROVAL NEEDED

Course: _____

Course: _____

SUMMER 2022 LANGUAGE CBE (CREDIT BY EXAM)


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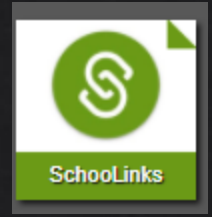
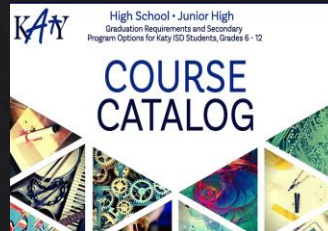
2022-2023 KATY ISD COURSE CATALOG



FOUND ONLINE IN YOUR MYKATY COURSE

2022-2023 Course Catalog is available online.

<https://app.schoolinks.com/course-catalog/katy-isd/overview>



Not sure of where to begin?

Follow our Step-By-Step one-page handout with links provided.



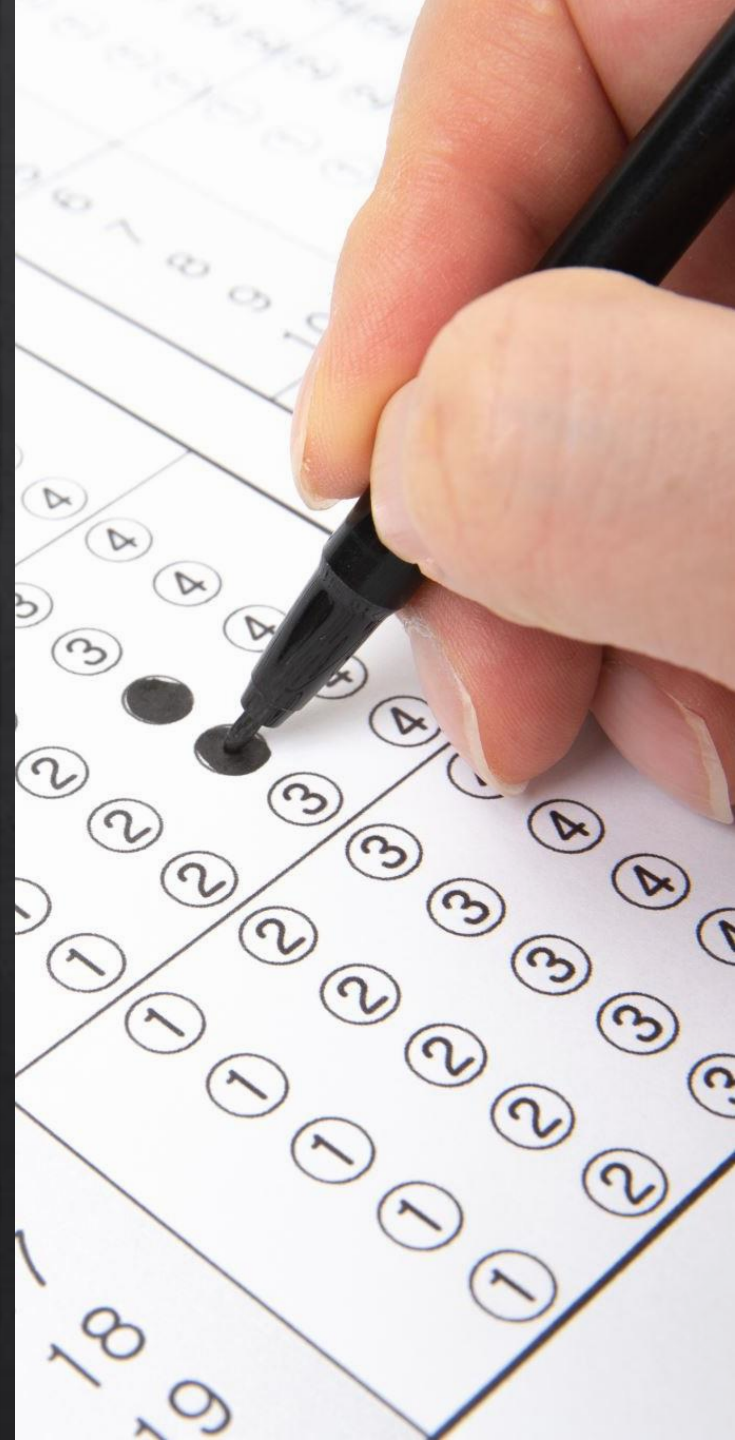
Jordan High School Course Selection Step-by-Step



1. View the [Course Selection Presentation Video](#).
2. View the [SchoolLinks Instruction Video](#) or [SchoolLinks Instruction Guide](#) for directions on how to input your course selections in SchoolLinks.
3. Refer to the Course Catalog in SchoolLinks for class descriptions-
[Course Catalog](#).
4. Refer to Current 8th Grade Course Offerings Worksheet for classes offered at Jordan High School.
5. Complete the JHS Course Request Planning Worksheet (neatly with pencil)
6. Enter your course selections from your worksheet in Course Planner found in SchoolLinks between January 28th and February 6th.

SEMESTER GRADES

- Grades always count.
- All daily grades, quizzes, and test grades will be recorded in the gradebook.
- The three 6-weeks grades count for 85% of the semester average.
- The final exam grade counts as 15% of the semester average.
- The semester averages are recorded on the transcript.
- GPA is calculated using semester averages.
- Credits are earned at semester.



Warriors in Training

- Goes to class on time daily
 - Does their homework
 - Goes to tutorials
 - Listens in class
 - Takes good notes
 - Asks for help

But most of all....

- **Gets involved**

DISTINGUISHED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT (DLA)

The Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA) is earned through successful completion of:

- All requirements for the Foundation High School Program, *plus*
- The requirements of *at least one* endorsement, including
- Algebra II among the four required math credits, *and*
- A fourth science credit

A student must graduate with a Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA) to be considered for the Top 10% and eligibility for automatic admission to a Texas public college or university.

ALGEBRA II NOTICE



Algebra II is not specified as a graduation requirement; however, students who do not earn Algebra II credit are not eligible for:

- Earning the Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA), which requires completion of an endorsement with Algebra II among the four math credits,
- Recognition as an honors or high honors graduate,
- Automatic admission to a state public college or university, and
- Certain financial aid opportunities, including the TEXAS grant or the Texas Educational Opportunity Grant.



TOP 10% RULE

A student whose class rank* is in the top 10 percent of the graduating class may be eligible for automatic admission consideration at a Texas public college or university.

Requirements to qualify for automatic admission consideration:

- Complete the FHSP + Endorsement, including the Distinguished Level of Achievement,
- Earn a satisfactory ACT or SAT score,
- Submit the application before the college or university's deadline, and
- Provide a final high school transcript verifying completion of the FHSP + Endorsement, including the Distinguished Level of Achievement.

Class rank must be based on the student's rank at the end of the 11th grade, middle of 12th grade, or at high school graduation, whichever is most recent at the college or university's application deadline.

GRADING SCALE FOR 2021-2022

Class of 2026

Course	90-100 A	80-89 B	70-79 C	69 and Below F
Advanced	5	4	3	0
Dual Credit	4.5	3.5	2.5	0
Academic	4	3	2	0

- The alphabetic identification for scores 70-79 is a C.
- Students in the top 10% will be provided their numeric class rank **in the spring semester of their junior year.**
- Transcripts will include the numeric class rank only for students in the top 10%.
- Students beyond the top 10% will be provided their **quartile rank** in the spring semester of their junior year.

MILLER CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY



Miller Career & Technology Center is a central site for innovative CTE courses not available at the home campuses. Katy ISD high school students are provided opportunities to explore potential post-secondary options and career experiences.

Check out all of our advanced Career & Technology (CTE) courses!

[MCTC Programs](#)

Thank you!

Please contact your child's 8th grade counselor for questions concerning course selection.

